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Honorable Jed S. Rakoff United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Guandique-Aguilar</u>, 22 Cr. 490 (JSR)

Dear Judge Rakoff:

Following e-mail communications with the Court's chambers, I write to respectfully provide notice of my intent to waive Ernesto Guandique-Aguilar's appearance during today's conference pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 43(b)(3). Because the focus of today's conference is to provide the Court with an update as to the status of plea negotiations and to otherwise set a schedule, I respectfully submit that Mr. Guandique-Aguilar's presence is not required under Rule 43 and that the Court should accept my waiver on his behalf on the record during today's proceedings.

Respectfully Submitted,

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